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Applicants submit this statement and the attached <u>1</u> sheet(s) of form PTO-1449 and <u>11</u> specimens of prior art and other information in accordance to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56,1.97, and 1.98, and requests consideration hereof.

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<u>Remarks</u>: A copy of each reference, together with a listing on Form PTO-1449(modified), is submitted herewith. Applicants respectfully request that:

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An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

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